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ATTEMPTED KIDNAPPING AND CRIMINAL THREATS SUSPECT SOUGHT BY POLICE

RIVERSIDE, CA – On January 17, 2019, at approximately 7:45 a.m., a female student from Arlington High School was walking to school on Jackson Street near Saguaro Road when she was approached from behind by a suspicious man. The man told the victim to go with him and made threats to harm her if she did not or if she tried running away. As the victim backed away from the suspect, he fled south on Jackson Street towards Lincoln Avenue.

The victim immediately notified school officials and the Riverside Police Department School Resource Officer assigned to Arlington High School. Detectives with the Sexual Assault – Child Abuse Unit assisted in the investigation and a sketch artist was called in. *(See attached suspect sketch)*

The suspect was described as a Black male adult between 20 and 30-years-old, skinny build, between 5'6" to 5'8" tall, and had a small tattoo under his right eye that could have been a teardrop. He also had some other type of tattooing on his right cheek but



it is unknown what it may have been. The suspect was last seen wearing a blue camouflage style jacket, dark jeans, and a dark colored beanie cap.

This investigation is ongoing and there are no other details available at this time. Anyone with information regarding this investigation is asked to contact School Resource Officer Ian Crocker at (951) 353-7947 or icrocker@riversideca.gov. Those wishing to remain anonymous can email rpdtips@riversideca.gov or utilize the Riverside Police Department's mobile app "Submit a Tip" feature while referencing incident number 190001791.

The Riverside Police Department and Riverside Unified School District are working in conjunction to take any additional appropriate safety measures while this incident is being investigated.

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